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In the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Claims 1-60 (Canceled).

61. (Currently amended) A method for making wallboard or backerboard sheets comprising:

dispensing materials for making aerated concrete into a mold and allowing the materials to rise and stiffen into a body;

dividing the body into a plurality of uncured sheets having opposing first and second major surfaces to serve as the core material;

securing at least one face layer on at least one of the first and second major surfaces of the core material; and cutting the core material and at least one face-

layer-secured thereto-into-a-plurality of-uncured-wallboard orbackerboard sheets;-and

one face layer secured thereto wallboard or backerboard sheets in an autoclave.

62. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 61 wherein the at least one face layer comprises first and second face layers on respective first and second major surfaces of the core material.

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- 63. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 61 wherein the at least one face layer comprises paper.
- 64. (Withdrawn) A method according to Claim 61 wherein the at least one face layer is moisture-resistant.
- 65. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 61 further comprising forming the first major surface of the core material to have beveled portions adjacent respective opposing longitudinal side edges.
- 66. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 61 wherein the at least one face layer extends around the opposing longitudinal side edges.
- 67. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 61 further comprising adding reinforcing fibers to the aerated concrete.
- 68. (Previously presented) A method for making at least one of a wallboard or backerboard sheet comprising:

forming an aerated concrete core having opposing first and second major surfaces and at least one face layer thereon, the aerated concrete core also having a generally rectangular shape defining a pair of opposing side edges and a pair of opposing end edges, and wherein the first major surface has beveled portions adjacent respective opposing side edges; and

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curing the at least one uncured wallboard or backerboard sheet in an autoclave.

- 69. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 68 wherein the at least one face layer comprises first and second face layers on respective first and second major surfaces of the aerated concrete core.
- 70. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 68 wherein the at least one face layer comprises paper.
- 71. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 68 wherein the at least one face layer is moistureresistant.
- 72. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 68 wherein the at least one face layer extends around the opposing side edges.
- 73. (Previously presented) A method for making at least one of a wallboard or backerboard sheet comprising:

forming an aerated concrete core having opposing first and second major surfaces and at least one face layer thereon, the aerated concrete core also having a generally rectangular shape defining a pair of opposing side edges and a pair of opposing end edges, and wherein the at least one face layer extends around the opposing side edges; and

curing the aerated concrete core in an autoclave.

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- 74. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 73 wherein the at least one face layer comprises first and second face layers on respective first and second major surfaces of the aerated concrete core.
- 75. (Withdrawn) A method according to Claim 73 wherein the at least one face layer comprises paper.
- 76. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 73 wherein the at least one face layer is moisture-resistant.
- 77. (New) A method according to Claim 61 further comprising cutting the uncured core material and at least one face layer secured thereto into a plurality of uncured wallboard or backerboard sheets.
- 78. (New) A method according to Claim 61 further comprising cutting the cured core material and at least one face layer secured thereto into a plurality of cured wallboard or backerboard sheets.